Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2011-0073

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective January 1, 2012.

PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 3

Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. ("Oshawa") filed an application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board, received on June 1, 2011 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Oshawa charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2012. The Board has assigned the Application file number EB-2011-0073.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on June 17, 2011.

In Procedural Order No. 1, issued on July 22, 2011, the Board approved the intervenors in this proceeding and their eligibility for cost awards, set dates for interrogatories, interrogatory responses, a technical conference, and issued a Draft Issues List for comment. Comments on the Draft Issues List were due July 29, 2011. No parties submitted comments.

In Procedural Order No. 2, issued on August 3, 2011 the Board approved the Issues list.

By way of a letter dated August 30, 2011, Oshawa requested an extension of the deadline for filing interrogatory responses with the Board to September 15, 2011. Oshawa stated several reasons for the need for an extension including the high number of interrogatories and additional filing requirements that the Board published on its website after Oshawa filed its application.

This extension necessitates the rescheduling of the deadline for technical conference questions and the dates for the Technical Conference.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The dates stated in Procedural Order No. 1 for filing interrogatory responses, for filing technical conference questions and for the Technical Conference are cancelled.
- 2. Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. shall file with the Board complete responses to the Interrogatories and deliver them to the intervenors and the Board no later than **September 15, 2011**.
- 3. A transcribed Technical Conference will be convened on **October 4, 2011**, starting at 9:30 a.m. If necessary, the Technical Conference will continue on **October 5, 2011**, starting at 9:30 a.m. The Technical Conference will be held at 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto in the Board's West Hearing Room on the 25th Floor. Parties participating in the Technical Conference are requested to file with the Board and copy Oshawa and all other parties by **September 28, 2011** a list of issues or questions or matters which they seek to address or seek clarification on at the Technical Conference.
- 4. Oshawa PUC Networks shall respond to any undertakings from the Technical Conference on or before **October 17, 2011**.
- A Settlement Conference will be convened on October 24, 2011, starting at 9:30

 a.m., with the objective of reaching a settlement among the parties on the issues.
 The Settlement Conference will be held in the Board's hearing room at 2300
 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto, and may continue until October 25, 2011, if needed.
- Any Settlement Proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the Board no later than Tuesday November 8, 2011. The Settlement Proposal shall be presented to the Board on Monday November 14, 2011 at 9:30 am in the Board's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto.
- 7. In the event that the Board decides to proceed by way of an oral hearing on any unsettled issues arising from the Settlement Conference, an oral hearing will

commence on **November 15, 2011** at 9:30 a.m. The hearing may continue on **November 17 and 18,** if needed.

All filings to the Board must quote file number EB-2011-0073, be made through the Board's web portal at <u>www.errr.ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>, and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <u>www.ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>. If the web portal is not available you may email your document to the <u>BoardSec@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file seven paper copies. If you have submitted through the Board's web portal an e-mail is not required."

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Christie Clark at <u>Christie.Clark@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u> and Board Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at <u>Ljuba.Djurdjevic@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>.

DATED at Toronto, August 31, 2011 ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

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